

RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2008
6:00 P.M.

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bostic called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., which was immediately after the previously called executive session of the Board of Works and Common Council. Allen Shelton, Darrin McGowan, Mike Buckley, Bill Goins, and Cindy Humphrey answered roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Ron Wilson, Elizabeth Gist, *Rushville Republican*, and Mike Selke, WIFE Radio.

MINUTES * * * *

Minutes of the January 7, 2008 meeting were presented for approval. McGowan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT * * * *

Mayor Bostic reported that he and Allen Shelton attended the Boot Camp for newly elected officials.

Bostic then asked Bill Todd to explain the situation with the modular which has been placed at the hospital. Todd said it had all the proper tags and will be permanently attached to the ground with utilities. The property will be used as an office, which is permitted since it is not being used as a dwelling. Joe Rathz said it was not allowed per the City ordinance. Ron Wilson asked if the ordinance said a modular could **not** be used as a commercial building. Rathz said no it did not. Humphrey asked if the modular home was the property of the hospital and if it was and if there was a title then the title would need to be removed. Todd said he thought there was a title and he would convey the message to the hospital.

Todd also said that he had done an inspection on the modular at 13th & Cherry and it did not pass the inspection. He has told the owners to remove the modular from the property. McGowan made a motion to have Todd order the modular moved by the 14th of February. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Todd also brought up some other concerns he has been asked about. One was parking on the North side of 8th & Main Streets. Todd said this is not something new. There has been parking there as long as he can remember. He said this was a case where it had been grandfathered in.

The other parking question was the new parking that is at the Park Restaurant. The owner of the restaurant informed Todd that he had approached the Park Board about the parking, since it was taking up a part of the park area. He said the Park Board gave approval along with approval by the Common Council.

Joe Rathz asked if he could explain some of the above items further. Mayor Bostic said, No, they were moving on since the matter was taken care of.

Brad Buening, ECDC Director, asked Council for approval of the Contract for Services with the ECDC. Shelton made a motion to approve the Contract. Humphrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT * * * *

None.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * * *

Fire – Jenkins reported that the Board of Works approved the promotion of Wayne Munson to Captain, and the promotions of Andrew Connolly and Kent Clark to Lieutenant. The Board of Works also approved the hiring of Justin Cameron contingent upon approval by PERF.

Street – Commissioner Hoover gave a summary of work that has been done or will be done by the city mechanic and the city maintenance man. Humphrey said she noted that the mechanic was charging for labor and asked where that money went. Bostic said it went back to the MVH fund. Humphrey said she had heard some good comments from other department heads.

Park – Mathews invited everyone to the Valentine Dance at Benjamin Rush Middle School on the 8th from 6:00 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Animal – Jarman reviewed the monthly report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * * *

Council President – Humphrey made a motion to nominate Darrin McGowan for Council president. Motion died for lack of second. Shelton made a motion to

nominate Bill Goins for Council president. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried with McGowan and Humphrey voting Nay. Humphrey said she just wanted it noted that it was her opinion that the Council president should be someone that was elected by the people.

Resolution 2008-1 Take Home Vehicle Policy – Goins made a motion to approve Resolution 2008-1. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2008-1 – Amended Salary Ordinance – Buckley made a motion to approve Ordinance 2008-1 Amending the 2008 Salary Ordinance. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried with Councilman McGowan opposing the motion.

Medical Insurance – Kevin Mandrell presented the renewal on the medical insurance. Mandrell said there was a 3% increase. McGowan made a motion to approve the insurance. Humphrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS * * * *

CF-1 B.B.& R. Vision - Duane Rindle was present to ask Council to approve the CF-1 for tax abatement. Goins made a motion to approve the CF-1. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Resolution 2008-2 Rainy Day Transfer – Humphrey made a motion to approve Resolution 2008-2 transferring monies to the rainy day fund. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Resolution 2008-3 Park Dept Transfer – McGowan made a motion to approve Transfer Resolution 2008-3. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Claims – McGowan made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried. Councilman Buckley abstained from approving the claim for his Fire Department salary.

Brackney Claim – McGowan made a motion to allow the Mayor and City Attorney to continue with arbitration in the Brackney claim. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Goins informed Council that he had spoken with the Mayor about setting up a retreat for training.

McGowan welcomed Goins back to Council.

Citizen, Ed Pribble, voiced a concern with Comcast. City Attorney Wilson said he would review the contract and get back with Pribble.

There was no further business to come before Council, Goins made a motion to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

MERVYN R. BOSTIC, MAYOR

ALLEN W. SHELTON, MEMBER

DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

MICHAEL BUCKLEY, MEMBER

CINDRA K. HUMPHREY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER